

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with the applicant's representative, Jay S. Cinamon (Reg. No. 24,156) on December 7, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

1. Cancel claim 41.

2. Claim 1:

In line 4 (the end of step (a)), after the term "beam source (3)" insert a comma -- , --.

In line 6 (the end of step (b)), delete the word "and."

In line 8 (the end of step (c)), delete the space the space between the term "target object;" and the wherein clause and unite the wherein clause with step (c).

In line 16 (end of the claim), insert the following:

--and,

cutting a slice of the cornea of the eye by using the fs-laser beam and performing an eyesight correction operation by using the UV laser beam.--

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ahmed M. Farah whose telephone number is (571) 272-4765. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon, Tue, Thur and Fri between 9:30 AM 7:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Johnson Henry can be reached on (571) 272-4768. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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